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NEWS FROM THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S OFFICE



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GOVERNOR SCHWARZENEGGER ISSUES STATEMENT ON DEATH OF TRACY SOLDIER

Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger today released the following statement regarding the death of Sgt. 1st Class Tung M. Nguyen of Tracy, CA:

"Today, we honor Sgt. 1st Class Nguyen who was committed to protecting our country and our freedoms. Maria and I offer our condolences to Tung's family as they endure this extraordinary loss. His courageous example will live on in our hearts."

Nguyen, 38, died Nov. 14 as a result of injuries sustained when he came in contact with enemy forces small arms fire during combat operations in Baghdad, Iraq. He was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, NC.

In honor of Sgt. 1st Class Nguyen, Capitol flags will be flown at half-staff.



GOVERNOR SCHWARZENEGGER ISSUES STATEMENT ON DEATH OF PHELAN SOLDIER

Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger today released the following statement regarding the death of Spc. Jeffrey G. Roberson of Phelan, CA:

"Spc. Roberson will be remembered for his courageous service and dedication to this country. Maria and I want to extend our sympathies to Jeffrey's family, friends and fellow soldiers. Our thoughts and prayers are with them during their time of mourning."

Roberson, 22, died Nov. 28 as a result of injuries sustained when an improvised explosive device detonated

near his vehicle during combat operations in Logar, Afghanistan. He was assigned to the 230th Military Police Company, 95th Military Police Battalion, 18th Military Police Brigade, Kaiserslautern, Germany.

In honor of Spc. Roberson, Capitol flags will be flown at half-staff.



GOVERNOR SCHWARZENEGGER ISSUES STATEMENT ON DEATH OF AGUANGA MARINE

Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger today released the following statement regarding the death of Lance Cpl. Jeromy D. West of Aguanga, CA:

"Lance Cpl. West committed himself to protecting our country at home and abroad. Maria and I send our deepest condolences to Jeromy's loved ones. Every time we lose a member of our nation's armed forces we are reminded of the sacrifices made for our freedoms."

West, 20, died Nov. 25 as a result of injuries sustained while conducting combat operations in Al Anbar Province, Iraq. He was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, 3rd Marine Division, III Marine Expeditionary Force, Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii.

In honor of Lance Cpl. West, Capitol flags will be flown at half-staff.

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